

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF NEVADA

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BENJAMIN RODRIGUEZ,

Case No. 2:22-cv-01368-ART-EJY

Plaintiff,

v.

ORDER

CLARK COUNTY DETENTION CENTER,
et al.,

Defendants.

I. DISCUSSION

On August 18, 2022, Plaintiff, an inmate in the custody of the Clark County Detention Center, submitted a civil rights complaint under 42 U.S.C. § 1983. ECF No. 1-1. Plaintiff has neither paid the \$402 filing fee for this matter nor filed an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*.

Under 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(2) and Local Rule LSR 1-2, an inmate seeking to commence a civil action may apply to proceed *in forma pauperis*, which allows the inmate to file the civil action without prepaying the filing fee. To apply for *in forma pauperis* status, the inmate must submit all three of the following documents to the Court:

- (1) a completed **Application to Proceed in Forma Pauperis for Inmate**, on this Court's approved form (i.e. pages 1 through 3 with the inmate's two signatures on page 3),
- (2) a **Financial Certificate** properly signed by both the inmate and a prison or jail official (i.e. page 4 of this Court's approved form), and
- (3) a copy of the **inmate's prison or jail trust fund account statement for the previous six-month period**.

The Court grants Plaintiff a **one-time extension** to file a fully complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* containing all three of the required documents, or in the alternative, pay the \$402 filing fee for this action on or before **September 30, 2022**. Absent unusual circumstances, the Court will not grant any further extensions of time.

1 If Plaintiff is unable to file a fully complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* with
 2 all three required documents or pay the \$402 filing fee on or before **September 30, 2022**, the
 3 Court will recommend dismissal of this case without prejudice allowing Plaintiff to file a new case
 4 with the Court when Plaintiff is able to acquire all three of the documents needed to file a fully
 5 complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* or pays the \$402 filing fee.

6 The Court will retain Plaintiff's civil rights complaint (ECF No. 1-1), but the Court will
 7 not file the complaint unless and until Plaintiff timely files a fully complete application to proceed
 8 *in forma pauperis* with all three documents or pays the \$402 filing fee.

9 **II. ORDER**

10 Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court will send Plaintiff the
 11 approved form application to proceed *in forma pauperis* by an inmate, as well as the document
 12 entitled information and instructions for filing an *in forma pauperis* application.

13 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that on or before **September 30, 2022**, Plaintiff will either
 14 pay the \$402 filing fee for a civil action (which includes the \$350 filing fee and the \$52
 15 administrative fee) or file with the Court:

16 (1) a completed **Application to Proceed in Forma Pauperis for Inmate** on this Court's
 17 approved form (i.e. pages 1 through 3 of the form with the inmate's two signatures on page
 18 3),

19 (2) a **Financial Certificate** properly signed by both the inmate and a prison or jail official
 20 (i.e. page 4 of this Court's approved form), and

21 (3) a copy of the **inmate's prison or jail trust fund account statement for the previous**
 22 **six-month period.**

23 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, if Plaintiff does not file a fully complete application to
 24 proceed *in forma pauperis* with all three documents or pay the \$402 filing fee for a civil action on
 25 or before **September 30, 2022**, the Court will recommend dismissal of this action without
 26 prejudice for Plaintiff to refile the case with the Court, under a new case number, when Plaintiff
 27 has all three documents needed to file a complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* or pays
 28 the \$402 filing fee.

1 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court will retain Plaintiff's complaint
2 (ECF No. 1-1) but will not file it at this time.

3 Dated this 25th day of August, 2022.

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5 ELAYNA J. YOUCHAH
6 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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